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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed May 8, 2002, please enter the following Amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A group pickup system in a communication network having one or more servers, comprising:

an invite request unit to invoke the group pickup system;

a group pickup request unit responsive to said invite request unit to establish a connection to a group pickup destination to enable a caller station to be pickup up from said destination, said destination being a user selectable location located on any server anywhere within the network; and

a retrieval request unit to connect a call pickup station with said caller station;

wherein said group pickup system comprises a supplementary service group pickup system.